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PRIESTHOOD GROUPS ORGANIZED IN DIMOND

Following out the instructions of Apostle Ballard at our recent Stake Conference, the Dimond ward is trying for a perfectly functioning Priesthood. Quorum groups have been organized and set working as outlined in the Priesthood guide.

Bishop T. H. Robinson invited the Melchizedek Quorum officers to meet with bishopric and devise ways for perfecting the quorum groups. At a meeting February 9th there were present J. Edward Johnson of the Stake presidency, W .A. Moody of the High Priests presidency, R. A. Lakness of the Seventies, and President H. E. Coltrin of the Elders.

High Priests

Of the seven High Priests of the ward, all are now active, holding important ward and stake positions. It was therefore thought inadvisable to organize a ward group, with a leader. To facilitate, however, the keeping of proper records and to see that each High Priest received full credit for his activity, a secretary was appointed who will make a monthly report to the Quorum secretary.

Seventies

There are 16 Seventies in Dimond. Bishop Robinson recommended the appointment of A. E. Fitzpatrick as group leader. President Lakness submitted the name to his associates in the Quorum presidency, who approved. At a special meeting February 16th Fitzpatrick was sustained by the Dimond Seventies as their group leader, and set apart by Presidents Lakness, Kelley, Fontano and Morgenegg of the 222nd Quorum of Seventy. A group secretary will be appointed whose duty will be to see that full credit is given for all activities and a monthly report made to the Quorum secretary, Harold R. Jenson.

Elders

Bishop Robinson recommended E. R. Cluff as group leader of the 39 Elders of the ward. The selection was approved by the Quorum presidency, and at a meeting February 10th he was sustained by the Dimond elders as their group leader. Because of the large number, it was decided that two others be chosen to aid him. Perry J. Earl was named first counselor, and a second will be chosen later. E. E. Stevens was sustained as group secretary to fully report the work to the Quorum secretary.

The weekly group meetings of the Melchizedek Priesthood quorums are held Tuesday evenings. Assignments will be given by the Bishopric, through the leaders, to each group. As these assignments are carried out, written reports will be made to the group leader. The functioning of these groups will greatly help the Bishopric in caring for the spiritual needs of the people of the ward.

It is planned to follow Dimond's lead and fully organize and set going these groups in other wards of the Stake.

JESUS—A BRIEF LIFE

(The following literary gem, written by J. A. Francis, was read by Bishop John Wells at the Centennial Conference, Salt Lake City, April 6, 1930.—Editor.)

HERE is a man who was born in an obscure village, child of a peasant woman. He grew up in another obscure village. He worked in a carpenter shop until he was thirty, and then for three years was an itinerant preacher.

He never wrote a book. He never held an office. He never owned a home. He never had a family. He never went to college. He never put his foot inside a big city. He never traveled two hundred miles from the place where he was born. He never did one of the things that usually accompany greatness. He had no credentials but himself. He had nothing to do with this world except the naked power of his divine manhood.

While still a young man the tide of popular opinion turned against him. His friends ran away. One of them denied him. Another betrayed him. He was turned over to his enemies. He went through the mockery of a trial. He was nailed upon the cross between two thieves. His executioners gambled for the only piece of property he had on earth while he was dying, and that was his coat. When he was dead, he was taken down and laid in a borrowed grave through the pity of a friend.

Nineteen wide centuries have come and gone and today he is the center of the human race and the leader of the column of progress.

I am far within the mark when I say that all the armies that ever marched, and all the navies that were ever built, and all the parliaments that ever sat and all the kings that ever reigned, put together, have not affected the life of man upon the earth as powerfully as has this one solitary life.

BOAT TOUR OF BAY

Plans are under way for a boat tour of the bay, on or about May 1. This gala cruise on a ferryboat will acquaint the people of the Stake with the points of interest, history and romance of San Francisco's marvelous bay. It will also serve as a stake outing, and should prove a memorable event. Further announcements will be made as soon as definite plans are completed.

WEDDING BELLS

Miss Stella Morlan and Monte M. Copen were married February 24th, Bishop C. W. Nalder officiating. The bride, brilliant young business woman of San Francisco, was a speaker at the recent Stake conference. The groom is superintendent of the S. F. ward Sunday School. They left for Salt Lake City on their honeymoon. The popular young couple will make their home in San Francisco.

MISSIONARY

Robt. J. Crawford of Berkeley has been called to fill a mission to Canada. Although past 70 years of age, this earnest High Priest is showing all the enthusiasm and fire of young missionaries. He leaves for the Canadian Mission March 15th. A farewell party will be tendered him by the Berkeley ward, March 6th.

Radio Programs

Chairman I. B. Ball announces the following topics for the Stake Radio broadcast for March over Station KTAB, Sunday afternoons, 1 to 1:30 o'clock:

March 1—"The Gospel Unto the Nations"
March 8—"The Lord's Tenth."
March 15—"Lord of the Sabbath."
March 22—"Hygiene of the Soul."
March 29—"Not Good for Man to Be Alone."

NEW HOMES

During the past month two families have bought new homes in Oakland. Ralph B. Jordan, Oakland bishopric, and family have moved into a new home in the Broadway Terrace district. Glenn Gee, Oakland ward scoutmaster, is building a fine new home up on Redwood Road.

"RED-HEADED BOY SCOUT"

So announced President J. Edward Johnson with the arrival of a fourth child at the Berkeley home, February 7th. Mrs. Johnson and the auburn-haired young fellow doing nicely.

BOUQUETS FOR "THE MESSENGER"

President Clyde W. Lindsay writes from Watsonville:

"The Messenger arrived, and every word registered. My congratulations on its style, composition and spirit. It's a credit to the Stake. I am sure the news items, spiritual messages and program announcements will be of great value to the Church members. Our activities have become so vital to our cause, and cover such a wide scope of accomplishments, that such a monthly message seems to be the logical need of the stake. After being absent for three months it was surely a welcome "messenger" to me. May it prosper and find one hundred per cent support."

Says President Geo. W. McCune of the Hollywood Stake:

"Thanks for the copy of your Stake Messenger. I think this little publication will be very beneficial to the members of your stake. Congratulations."

L.D.S. BUSINESS CLUB FORMED IN S. F.

The third meeting of the newly organized L.D.S. Business Men's Association was held Tuesday evening, February 24, in the Indian Grill of the Hof Brau, San Francisco, at which seventeen enthusiastic members were present. President W. Aird Macdonald was the guest speaker. An invitation was extended to East Bay Latter-day Saint business men to join the organization, and charter membership will close March 31.

The organization was effected January 28, when the following officers were chosen to serve until April:

President.....Harold R. Jenson
1st Vice-Pres.....Paul C. Dana
2nd Vice-Pres.....Golden K. Driggs
Secy.-Treas...Fay R. Hockstrasser

An executive committee composed of Harold R. Jenson, Paul C. Dana, H. P. Jennings, Dr. J. R. Fitzgerald, and Dr. H. M. Thatcher drafted a constitution and by-laws, which were adopted February 10.

The purposes of the new organization, as set forth in the constitution, are:

1. To promote cooperation among members, stabilize and help to establish Church members now in business.
2. To aid in the general welfare and prosperity of our people, and to help relieve unemployment among them.
3. To encourage L.D.S. to become established in worthy business enterprises.
4. To encourage and promote high standards of business methods, and
5. To promote good government, inspire respect for law and order, promote patriotism and encourage all in civic duty.

BREAKS LEG

President M. A. Hammer of the Seventies Quorum suffered a broken leg February 24, when he jumped or fell from an electric power pole. Employed by a local power company, President Hammer was repairing a line, when the pole suddenly collapsed. Cutting himself loose, he jumped to avoid being crushed, and in landing broke his right leg. He is at a local hospital, and though painful, is getting along as well as could be expected.

About People

Mrs. Alice McLaughlin Rich of the Church Historian's office, Salt Lake City, visited last week with her son, Francis, and family, of Oakland.

Frank C. Cluff of Long Beach is visiting with his son and family of Elmhurst.

Miss Patricia Dwyer of Yuba City has been a house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. T. Carruth of Oakland. She is the fiancee of their son, Theron, of Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Lucile Talmage Carlisle returned yesterday from Salt Lake City. She is here closing up affairs of her late husband, Wilford C. Carlisle. She will return to Salt Lake shortly.

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"Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me; and the Lord whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple."—Mal. 3:1

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LOYALTY

Loyalty is the spark of divinity that flashes in the lives of men. It is the very substance of which heroes are made. It is a quality of character most desired—most admired. It excels greatness, for it is found in every walk of life, in the humble cot as well as mansion.

Jesus gave the supreme test of loyalty when He said: "Greater love hath no man than this, that he lay down his life for his friends."

Unswerving allegiance to a cause, a friend, is most glorious. Valiant souls have always won the world's plaudits. Literature is replete with the tales of true friendship; men and women, who under all circumstances have remained loyal and true. Damon and Pythias have endured the ages. The love of David and Jonathan is the classic of old Israel. The loyal devotion of Ruth to the aged Naomi has inspired hearts for centuries.

As devotion to ideals has ever won approval, so disloyalty has called for bitter denunciation. Treason, the dispicable crime, has brought forth the curses of all ages. As there have been heroes, so every cause has had its Judas, every nation its Benedict Arnold. Treason, always the destroyer, the evil; Loyalty, ever the deliverer, the good.

In the dark days of Nauvoo, Joseph the Prophet was surrounded with disloyalty. Apostasy and treason lurked on every side. It was the unswerving allegiance of Brigham Young, John Taylor, and others that saved the church during those dark hours. Since then, loyalty has been a dominant virtue of the Latter-day Saints. Loyalty to their great Cause, and to each other, has been their source of strength. It has preserved them through many trials. Disloyalty brings disintegration, which has been the downfall of causes and nations of the past. It alone can destroy our power for good in the world today. Nothing is impossible if there is unity.

"We stand for loyal adherance to Latter-day Saint ideals." It requires no loyalty to follow the ways of the world. No one demonstrates loyalty by simply following the crowd. Standing by our principles, unmoved amid the jeers of unbelievers, alone will win for us. Those who have been "called out of the world," the Master said, "should be "a light set on a hill" so that others may be led to the Truth.

In the San Francisco Stake we are indeed "set upon a hill." We are few among thousands. We must be a "light unto men" else all shall "fall in the ditch." If we maintain true loyalty, we can here become a potent force for good, and a withering fire against evil. Our destiny in this land is great!

We commend to you the words of the late President Joseph F. Smith: "We should set an example; we should be true to the faith, true to our covenants, true to our God, true to one another, and to the interests of Zion. The man who is not true to Zion and the interests of her people will be found, by and by, left out and in a pitiable spiritual condition. The man who stays with the kingdom of God, the man who is true to this people, the man who keeps himself unspotted from the world is the man God will accept, that God will uphold, that God will sustain, and that will prosper in the land."

(Ward Teachers' Topic for March)

THE BISHOP'S STOREHOUSE

INCREASED ATTENDANCE

The Bishopric of the Sunset ward made a drive for better attendance at Sacrament meetings last month, with the result that they had a gain of nearly 50 per cent. Special announcements were made, and notices sent to all new members of the ward. Interesting programs were carefully prepared, and at one meeting four boys were ordained deacons in an impressive ceremony. Bishop Kjar and his co-workers are to be congratulated.

add HIGH PRIESTS—

WARD TEACHING

The ward teaching in the Stake was neglected during January. Only 45 per cent of the families were visited. Richmond had 100 per cent and Martinez 85 per cent, while San Francisco reported 27 per cent and Oakland nothing. The other wards ranged from 40 per cent to 64 per cent. The result was that our Stake standing tumbled to 77th place! Put our Stake back in the first division. Ward teachers, make it 100 per cent this month!

Priesthood Quorums

PROGRAM FOR MARCH MEETING

Programs for the monthly quorum meeting, Saturday, March 28th, at 7:30 p.m., Oakland Chapel:

HIGH PRIESTS
- Community singing—led by W. Y. Farnsworth
- Address—Dr. Ben W. Black, Medical Director of Alameda County
- Questions on the address
- Community singing
- In the lighter Mood—Quorum members

A special meeting of ward group leaders is called for March 28th, 6:30 p.m., Oakland chapel. The purpose is to keep the Quorum presidency in touch with ward activities and needs of ward groups. Following the suggestions of Apostle Ballard, the group leader in each ward will function as a standing committeeman. Other important matters will be presented at this meeting. Be there.

SEVENTIES
- Community Singing
- Talk—"The Ideal Seventy"—Bishop Dunyon
- "We Learn by Doing"—Howard McDonald
- "The Second Mile"—H. R. Atkin
- Refreshments? Sure!

FIRST ELDERS:
- Quartette—James Sharp, R. S. Sant, Alex. Stewart, and V. K. Chapman
- Surprises—Something New: Axel Severine, Master of Ceremonies
- Refreshments? Of course!

SECOND ELDERS: (S. F. Chapel)
- Community Singing
- Refreshments
- (No program received at time of going to press.—Ed.)

GENEALOGICAL

Regular union meeting of all ward workers of East Bay wards, under direction of Wm. A. Moody, at Oakland chapel, second Sunday of the month, 2 p.m.

Union meeting for West Bay ward workers, under direction of President H. E. Thomson, at San Francisco chapel, fourth Thursday at 7:45 p.m.

Jas. M. Kirkham of the Genealogical Society gave three addresses during his recent visit in the Stake. He exhibited his personal "book of remembrances," which brought forcefully and helpfully the need of personal genealogy. He gave many interesting suggestions concerning the junior genealogy work recently launched by the Church. Thirty copies of blank "books of remembrances" have been ordered by the Stake committee. Those desiring a copy, communicate with your group secretary.

WARD BULLETIN

Elmhurst is publishing a monthly ward bulletin. The four-page pamphlet contains a message from the Bishop, announcements, notes, and a program of activities for the month, as well as a roster of ward officers. The front cover has a picture of the "Chapel on the Hill." The Bulletin is edited by Don J. Allphin. Congratulations.

AARONIC PRIESTHOOD LESSON BOOKS

The attention of Bishops is again called to the necessity of providing Priests, Teachers, and Deacons with the lesson books for 1931. Mail your order direct to the Presiding Bishop's office. Twelve lessons on Genealogy are part of this year's course of study, so that the young men of the Church may gain a knowledge of this important work. See P. B. O. Bulletin 172.

STAKE MEETINGS

All Stake meetings are held in the Oakland Chapel, corner of Moss avenue and Webster street.

STAKE PRESIDENCY: Thursday evening, 7:30 o'clock.
HIGH COUNCIL: Second and Fourth Sunday, 1:130 p.m.
STAKE OFFICERS' MEETING: Third Thursday, 7:45 p.m.
STAKE UNION MEETINGS:
- a. Second Sunday, 2:30 p.m. Relief Society, Bishoprics Genealogical, 2 p.m.
- b. Third Sunday, 2:30 p.m. Y. M. and Y. L. M.I.A.
- c. Fourth Sunday, 2:30 p.m. Sunday School, Primary.

STAKE PRIESTHOOD QUORUMS: Last Saturday, 7:30 p.m.

TWIN GIRLS

Mr. and Mrs. Movell Day are rejoicing over the arrival of twin girls February 12th—Lincoln's birthday. Movell is trying to figure out two nice girlish names from the words: "Abe Lincoln." He invites suggestions.

VISITORS

Mrs. H. S. Pyne and daughter, Mrs. Lea Ekins Davis, of Provo, Utah, are visiting with their son and brother, Thomas M. Pyne of Oakland. Mr. Pyne is assistant auditor of the Safeway Stores, Inc.

DEATH OF PARENTS

Miss Golda Lylia of the Stake Y. L. M. I. A. board had the sad misfortune of losing both her father and mother by death within two weeks of each other. She has just returned from Salt Lake, where she attended the funeral services of both parents.

Births

DAUGHTER—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur M. Lindenau of Sunset, January 29.
SON—Born to Dr. and Mrs. Skanky of Sunset, February 4.
DAUGHTER—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Grant Pollock of San Francisco, February 7.
SON—Born to President and Mrs. J. Edward Johnson of Berkeley, February 7.
TWIN GIRLS—Born to Mr. and Mrs. L. Movell Day of Oakland, February 12.

Deaths

COOPER, Diane—Infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Curtis of San Francisco, February 10.

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AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES

RELIEF SOCIETY AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES

Our Anniversary—This month it is fitting that we pause for reflection on the importance of the message which March 17 suggests to Latter Day Saint women throughout the world. In our own stake more than 400 Relief Society members are rejoicing on this day because of the birth of our great organization.

March 17, 1842—the church itself in its infancy—Joseph Smith, the prophet, effected an organization for Mormon women at Nauvoo, the object of which he declared "would be relief to the poor and destitute, the widow and the orphan, and for exercise in all benevolent purposes. However, the Ladies' Relief Society is not only to relieve the poor, but to save souls. It is a desirable honor that you so walk before our Heavenly Father as to save yourselves. * * * And now I turn the key in your behalf in the name of the Lord, and this society shall rejoice, and knowledge and intelligence shall flow down from this time henceforth."

We stand in the day of this prophecy's fulfillment, hence we rejoice in our privilege as Relief Society members; are made glad by our activities in the same; and pray for strength to bring "Relief to the wounded"—the mainspring of our society; the rock on which we are founded.

Teaching Score—The work of the visiting teacher can not be taken too seriously. We hope to report in this column, monthly, the names of wards scoring 100 per cent efficiency in their teaching activity.

Report at February union meeting: Richmond 100 per cent.

The Stake R. S. Choral held successful **special sessions** on each side of the bay this past month. However, the regular practice will convene at 1 p.m. on Sunday, March 8.

A group of 28 Relief Society women form one of the divisions in the Community Chest drive in Oakland. President Sara J. Carruth is chairman, with Ivie Breck of Oakland, Hannah Kelley of Dimond and Mrs. W. C. Owens of Elmhurst as district lieutenants. One team, Mrs. A. B. Chadwick and Adriane Gee of Oakland, exceeded their quota the first day, and led all workers of the city.

PRIMARY

May we remind our teachers that child nature is the first thing to be considered in any program of teaching. We can no longer blame bad conduct and habits on inborn instincts. If child nature is as pliable as it now appears, then parents, teachers, and society in general must double their efforts in order to provide a wholesome environment in which children might grow. If we want the child to be constructive, we must supply a suitable environment for constructive work, and then motivate it by making it fit in with the child's interest. Moreover, we must see that the child derives satisfaction from the fruits of his work, since one of the most important laws of learning is the law of satisfaction of effort.

It is now the duty of the Primary to prepare boys to enter the priesthood and scout organizations. Parents: may we have your cooperation in this duty to YOUR boy?

Stake Primary Superintendency

Y.L.M.I.A.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO BEEHIVE GIRLS

Saturday, March 28, has been set for the San Francisco Stake Beehive Swarm Day. Plans have been made to make this the most typical "swarm" ever held in the Stake. Our Beehive girls are having contests all their own. Ward beekeepers should keep in close touch with Leone Burnham and Esther Landward so that all can have entries in these contests. Every Beehive girl in the Stake should be there with her mother. Special invitation is extended to girls who will be old enough to enroll in Beehive classes next Fall. All mothers with girls of Beehive age, or near the age, are invited, the program of events to be held at the Oakland chapel.

Sunday Conjoint M. I. A. Program for the Wards

Balboa—M Men & Gleaners.
Berkeley—M Men & Gleaners .
Dimond—Beehive & Junior Girls.
Elmhurst—M Men & Gleaners.
Oakland—M Men & Gleaners; theme: "Composers and Their Music."

Sunset—Boy Scouts. Raymond O. Hansen, chief executive of S. F. district council, will speak.

SCHEDULE FOR STAKE CONTESTS
Preliminaries—Tuesday, March 24, 7:30 P.M.

EAST BAY—OAKLAND CHAPEL
M Men and Gleaner Public Speaking
Junior and Vanguards Retold Stories
Male Quartet or Chorus
Ladies' Chorus
Mixed Quartet or Chorus

Wednesday, March 25, 7:30 P.M.
WEST BAY—S. F. CHAPEL
Music, Public Speaking, Retold Stories
Male Quartet or Chorus
Ladies' Chorus
Mixed Quartet or Chorus

Friday, March 27, 7:30 P.M.
Drama and Dancing

Friday, April 3, 7:30 P.M.
STAKE HONOR DAY—OAKLAND CHAPEL
Winners in the preliminaries in EVERY EVENT from each side of the bay.
Ward Honor Days can be held any time prior to March 24

Berkeley attained their ideal M.I.A. meeting Tuesday, February 24, with the largest attendance, one hundred and seventy-five, and the best Mutual evening they've had. Every activity was represented, even to a mixed chorus.

Berkeley is to be commended. With the glory of attainment comes a desire for greater conquerings. Their ideal being reached, they have now to attain "a contestant in every event on April 3." Fore!

Trieste P. Hall

SAN FRANCISCO

John Y. Smith has returned from Salt Lake City, where he was called by the sudden death of his brother, Bishop Geo. A. Smith.

Mrs. Samuel Martin, Mrs. A. Harris Chase, and Miss Ruth Lockhead of Ogden, Utah, were the recent guests of Bishop and Mrs. C. W. Nalder.

ELMHURST

D. F. Wright and family recently returned from a two weeks' visit with friends and relatives in Ogden.

Two successful cottage meetings were held by the Seventies of the ward during February.

Miss Evelyn Elizabeth Duncan of Modesto became the bride of Wallace Wimmer at a quiet wedding at the Wimmer home, February 7th, Bishop Adrian Schipper officiating.

Bertha LaBrounte of San Francisco gave an interesting talk on "Constructive Thinking" to the Relief Society at a recent social service lesson.

Mr. and Mrs. Archer Willey have returned from Salt Lake City, where they went to attend a family reunion.

A beautiful table lamp was presented to President Mary Partington at a birthday party last week tendered her by co-workers in the Relief Society. Forty-eight covers were laid at the dainty luncheon served.

All the women of the ward were guests at a delightful luncheon served by the Bee Hive, Junior and Cleaner Girls recently.

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NEWS FROM THE WARDS

BALBOA

June, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Felsch, has been ill with chickenpox.

Speakers at the Sunday evening services February 8 were Elders O. M. Roper, W. D. Turner, and Thos. Birch, missionaries.

Two blood transfusions have been made for Mrs. Laura Nielson, auto accident victim, who's right leg was amputated. She is recovering slowly.

February 2 the Boy Scouts, under the direction of Arthur W. Sadler, presented the Conjoint Mutual program.

Owen Felsch is in a local hospital recovering from serious burns received when an alcohol torch overturned on him.

The Bee Hive girls, with their teacher, Della Butler, celebrated St. Valentine's day with a party. Games were played, valentines exchanged, and refreshments served.

Unusually fine programs have been given by the Relief Society the past month. The Friendship Garden exchanged bulbs following a fine talk by Mrs. Adah Braggs on "Time to Plant Flowers." Stake Board visitors included Esther Davis Stephens, Ruth R. Shurtleff, and Ivie Breck.

BERKELEY

The Bishopric entertained 25 members of the lesser Priesthood at the home of Archie G. Hill last week. Games were played and refreshments served.

The Mutual and Bishopric are receiving the congratulations of the ward for the splendid success of the Valentine's ball. There were no "wall flowers."

The Mutual is joining with the Relief Society to celebrate Founders' Day on March 20th. There will be a program, a play, and dancing.

One of the events of the ward the past month was the model Mutual session given last Tuesday evening. Following the regular M.I.A. class lessons, the following program was presented:

Public speaking talks—Wm. A. Moody, Afton Elliason, and Aileen Hamlin.

Singing—"M" Men, Gleaner Girls, and Bee Hive Girls.

Drama—"The Anti-Gossip Club." The cast: Dora Ruegg, Louise Knight, Delia Bates, Effie Mooseman, Esther Elliason, Melsina Christensen, Edith Pyle, Huberta Berg, Rosemary Parsons, and Regina Moody.

Dance—"Green & Gold Centennial Waltz": Doris Braley and Harold Evans; Huberta Berg and Phil Hunsaker.

Ice cream and cake was served to all, which was followed by dancing. Nearly two hundred attended this "ideal Mutual night," all voting it a complete success.

BURLINGAME

James A. Kirkham of Salt Lake is visiting with his sister-in-law, Mrs. Chas. Ohran. He is here in the interest of genealogical work.

H. A. Taylor has as his guest his father from Utah.

Mrs. Guy Roberts has been ill for the past few weeks. Her many friends are wishing a speedy recovery.

Misses Mabel Larsen and Clara Fotland, missionaries, were visitors at the home of Mrs. Chas. Ohran February 16th.

Jos. O. Story is again confined to his home with illness.

The Relief Society will present a one-act play, "Careers," on their Founders' Day program, March 17th.

DIMOND

A Children's Dance on Washington's Birthday was enjoyed by over 200 children. Elmhurst's orchestra furnished the music and punch and cookies by the Bishopric.

President Eugene Hilton spent two days in Los Angeles on business last week.

The Elders group will stage some amateur boxing contests Monday, March 9th, in the gymnasium. As a price of admission, each member is to bring an inactive member. All other Priesthood invited.

A special Easter service has been arranged for Sunday evening. The ward choir, under the leadership of Ben. J. Summerhays, will feature special Easter music for the occasion. Dr. Ben. W. Black, medical director of Alameda County, will be the speaker.

The Seventies group held their first missionary cottage meeting February 26. There was a good attendance, and a most successful meeting.

Mrs. Nora Lamoreaux, who has been quite ill in the Livermore hospital, is reported much improved. Her many friends pray for her speedy recovery.

RICHMOND

Thomas Birch and LeGrand Miller, missionaries, spent several days in Richmond visiting friends.

The Mutual officers were entertained last month at the home of Bishop and Mrs. C. M. Dewsnup.

Special programs for Sunday evening meetings have been arranged by the bishopric for March and April. Increased attendance is anticipated.

Mrs. Nettie Dewsnup and her daughter, Shirley, are spending a week in Sacramento with relatives.

OAKLAND

Mrs. Margaret Kay, seriously ill for several weeks, is reported much improved.

Clara and Elmer Southwick have returned to their home in Ogden.

Patriarch Norman B. Phillips has recovered from several weeks' illness.

A baby shower was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Movell Day, February 25, in honor of their twin girls. Many bright and useful gifts were showered upon them by their many friends in the ward.

Chapel painting will be completed within ten days. The ceiling, done in sky-blue with a gold trim, presents a very attractive appearance. Two coats have already been given the walls and woodwork, so that the interior is nearing completion. A drive is being made for help. About twenty men are needed each night. Dinner is served at 6:30 every Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday evening, and workers are urged to come direct from their work. Geo. W. Bagley, J. G. Shields, W. F. Everett, and Chas. C. Carr of the High Council are in charge of the work.

SUNSET

Mrs. Rulon E. Pearce has gone to Salt Lake City for a short visit.

Isaac B. Ball and Fred Hoeft of the High Council were the speakers Sunday evening, February 22nd.

Zion is growing. Last month Sunset ward reported two births. Score another pair. A girl to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur M. Lindenau and a boy to Dr. and Mrs. Shanky. Next?

Mrs. A. Raymond Christensen left February 27 on a visit to relatives in Salt Lake City.

Special programs for Sunday evening meetings during March. The March 8th—Richard W. Young will be the speaker. On the same program will be Nelle Lesueur Macdonald, organ solo; Eva Mae Curtis, vocal solo, and Paul Thomson, remarks.

March 15—Relief Society Anniversary program.

March 22—Genealogical Committee program.

SAN FRANCISCO

The ward Dramatic Club, under the direction of Harold G. Schroeder and Edmund E. Evans, presented the mystery play, "The Thirteenth Chair," at the Community Playhouse, February 7th, to a capacity house. The high quality acting of the excellent cast was appreciated by the enthusiastic audience. It is said to be the best histronic effort yet presented in stake theatricals.

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